IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 3 and 37, and add new claim 40 as follows:

1. (Amended) A wavelength monitor, comprising:

a cylindrical lens configured to allow a laser beam emitted from a semiconductor laser to pass therethrough;

first and second photodetectors configured to receive the laser beam passed through the cylindrical lens; and

a wavelength filter disposed in an optical path between the semiconductor laser and the first photodetector,

wherein the wavelength filter is disposed outside an optical path between the semiconductor laser and the second photodetector.

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3. (Amended) A semiconductor laser device, comprising:

a semiconductor laser configured to emit a laser beam;

a cylindrical lens configured to allow the laser beam emitted from the semiconductor laser to pass therethrough;

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first and second photodetectors configured to receive the laser beam passed through the cylindrical lens; and

a wavelength filter disposed in an optical path between the semiconductor laser and the first photodetector,

wherein the wavelength filter is disposed outside an optical path between the semiconductor laser and the second photodetector.

37. (Amended) A semiconductor laser device, comprising:

a semiconductor laser configured to emit a laser beam;

a cylindrical lens configured to allow a laser beam emitted from a semiconductor laser to pass therethrough;

detecting means for detecting the laser beam passed through the cylindrical lens; and

intensity changing means for changing the intensity of a portion of the laser beam depending upon the wavelength of the laser beam, the intensity changing means being disposed in an optical path between the semiconductor laser and the detecting means such that another portion of the laser beam is detected by the detecting means without impinging upon the intensity changing means.

--40. (New) The method of claim 39, wherein the second portion of the uniaxially converged laser beam is directed to the second photodetector without passing through the wavelength filter.--